Mansfield Middle School Second Quarter After-School Activities, 2012 - 2013

Dear Parents.

Each marking period Mansfield Middle School offers after-school activities for our students. Generally activities run from dismissal until 4:05 when students may be picked up or take the late bus home. If your child would like to participate in one or more activities, please complete the accompanying registration form/permission slip <u>in full</u>, and send it in to your child's homeroom teacher.

Please note that many activities fill very quickly. While we make every effort to accommodate children's selections, registration will be on a first-come, first-served basis. Students will <u>not</u> be enrolled in more than two activities. Lists of students in each activity will be posted in the lower lobby and near the cafeteria.

Activities will begin during the week of November 26th and end January 17th, unless noted otherwise. Other schedule changes, when necessary, are announced during the school day. We hope that your child will pursue personal interests and explore some new areas through the offerings of the After-School program.

Important Note to Parents/Guardians:

The MMS Health Room closes daily at 3:15. (The school office remains open until 5:00 p.m.) There is **no nursing coverage** for after school clubs, sports or activities. If your child has a known medical need (such as; asthma, severe allergy, seizures, diabetes...) and may need medication or medical supervision after school, a parent/guardian must contact the school nurse in order to make the necessary plans or arrangements. The appropriate care and guidelines will be delegated to the <u>supervising teacher or coach</u>. MMS does not provide nursing coverage beyond the school day. These arrangements will need to be updated for each activity your child participates in each quarter. Call the health office with questions 429-9341.

Candace V. Morell, Assistant Principal

Mansfield Middle School After-School Activities Registration/Permission Slip

Please complete this form and return it to your homeroom teacher as soon as possible. **Activities are filled on a first-come. first-served basis.** If a first choice is filled, we will try to honor the second or third request.

PLEASE PRINT LEGIBLY. FORMS NOT FILLED OUT COMPLETELY WILL NOT BE INCLUDED.

First Name	Last Name	Grade	e Homeroom
Please list activities in	n order of preference:		
1		Da	y
2		Da	y
3		Da	y
I give my child permis	ssion to participate in the activities	above and to take the lat	e bus home.
Parent/Guardian signa	ture	Date	
My child would like to	participate in one activity \(\square\$		
My child would like to	participate in two activities \square		

MORNING MOVEMENT CLUB

TUESDAYS & THURSDAYS BEFORE SCHOOL



Mrs. Cline

Join us for a morning of integrated movement where we ready our bodies and minds for optimum learning for the day ahead. Movement can bring about rapid and often dramatic improvements in reading, writing, language and mathematical skills. It is also used to enhance the quality of attention and concentration, memory and more. The activities are lively and fun to do and can improve academic success. We will meet on Tuesday and Thursday mornings before school at 7:15 a.m. or whenever you can join us! Sign up for both days or one day!

Maximum enrollment: 12 students

THE EXCHANGE

MONDAYS BY ANNOUNCEMENT

Room 215



School Counselor, Mrs. Melody, welcomes students to join her in reading novels and talking about middle school issues presented in the stories. The book groups are by grade level. Mrs. Melody will announce the book and dates to meet later in the quarter. Each book can be found in the school library. Students will read the book for their grade level prior to the meeting and come

to a one time discussion on that book. Listen to announcements for the time and book!

The group will prepare and devour a fun and creative snack!

Maximum enrollment: 12 students per grade

HOMEWORK CLUB

MONDAYS, TUESDAYS, WEDNESDAYS, and/or THURSDAYS

Stay after school and receive help with homework assignments or come for a quiet place to work on assignments. Snacks will be provided.

Homework Club is offered on the following days of the week:

Mondays with Ms. Hunyadi in Room 2110 Tuesdays with Mrs. Stratton in Room 308

Wednesdays with Mrs. Wilcox in Room to be announced

Thursdays with Mrs. St. Jean in Room 113

Maximum enrollment: 24 students on any one day

COMPUTER CLUB MONDAY

Mr. Shav

MONDAYS

COMPUTER LAB A



The computer club offers school-appropriate computer games or computer resources to work on schoolrelated projects. Internet games are not available during this activity. We fill up fast so sign up early! Maximum enrollment: 20 students

READING BOOK BUDDIES for 5th and 6th GRADERS

MONDAYS



Dr. Robinson and Mrs. Zawodniak

Room 104

Spend time after school with our certified reading therapy dogs, Dante and Virgil. We will enjoy reading books, exploring online book connections, and sharing books we read. So come prepared to find some good books, grab a snack, get comfy, share stories, and spend time reading with us! Participants should not have dog allergies.

Maximum enrollment: 12 students in Grades 5 or 6 only



FOR FEMALES ONLY ROBOTICS

MONDAYS

Mrs. Perkins

Room 312

Calling all girls who are interested in increasing their skill level in robotics! We will be building robots, programming robots, and driving the robots to accomplish certain tasks. This is a great way to get started in robotics or get some extra time and space to develop the skills you already have.

Maximum enrollment: 20 students



AMATEUR RADIO CLUB

TUESDAYS

Ms. Bain, Mr. Hart Room 310
Tune in the world! Learn the basics of radio communication technology and Morse code. Talk to other

radio operators in other countries. Have fun!

Maximum enrollment: 15 students

CHINESE CLUB

TUESDAYS



Mrs. Dickinson, Liu Yanping, Hanchen Huang

Room 108

Chinese Club offers interesting facts about China and Chinese culture. Students will enjoy interactive games to promote learning.

Maximum enrollment: 24 students



BOARD GAMES

TUESDAYS

Mrs. Moulton Room 103

Come meet new people and play some games. Bring your friends along. You can bring a favorite game or play one of our games.

Maximum enrollment: 20 students



EXPLORING TECHNOLOGY TOOLS

TUESDAYS

Mrs. Mulholland and Mrs. Perkins Room 101

Do you enjoy bringing your iPod, Kindle, Nook or other device to school? Wondering how you can use it as an educational tool? Want to create more opportunities to use your device in the classroom? Then this is the club for you! We are going to explore how you can "Bring your own device" and what programs are effective for use in the classroom. We will create a resource for other students and teachers.

Maximum enrollment: 20 students

JAZZ IMPROVISATION

TUESDAYS

Mr. Hart, Mr. Sharp

Room 220

If you like music and think that you might like to learn Jazz, and if you play an instrument in the MMS bands, then sign up for this class. You can improve your playing skills, sight read and most importantly, learn how to improvise on your instrument. We will learn and have fun! And you can meet some new friends with a common interest.

Maximum enrollment: 10 students

LEARNING ABOUT DOGS CLUB for GRADES 5 AND 6

TUESDAYS



Mrs. Flaherty and Dr. Robinson

Room 11

If you would like to learn more about dogs, including how to be your dog's best friend, then sign up for us. We will talk about choosing and caring for your dog, easy training tips, and more. We will have surprise guests – both human and furry! Certified therapy dogs will be included in some of our activities. If you have allergies to dogs, please join another club.

Maximum enrollment: 12 students in Grade 5 or 6



MATH COUNTS

TUESDAYS

Mr. Perkins

Room 202

If you love math come to Room 202 on Tuesdays. We will be preparing for a variety of Math competitions including MathCounts and the American Math Competition 8 and 10.

Maximum enrollment: Unlimited

Mrs. Norrish, Mrs. Morrill

Mr. Perkins

Students will design and make a quilted pillow or small throw.

Maximum enrollment: 15 students

STOCK MARKET GAME BEFORE SCHOOL

TUESDAYS 7:30 A.M.

Room 202

Have you ever played the Stock Market Game and want to do it again? Would you like to play it for the first time? This before school opportunity allows you to learn how to invest money in a fun and challenging way. If you cannot make the 7:30 time see Mr. Perkins and we can find a time that works.

Maximum enrollment: 20 students

THE SUNSHINE CLUB

TUESDAYS as listed below

Mrs. Melody, Mrs. Lee and Mrs. Hamlin

Cafeteria

Our club focuses on welcoming new students and families to MMS. MMS students are trained to be knowledgeable, friendly and PROUD hosts and tour guides. The SUNSHINE CLUB activities emphasize the development of personal skills so that MMS students grow in confidence. This quarter our focus will be Career Day, welcoming parents during parent teacher conferences, discovering and understanding holiday traditions, and welcoming COPE students.

Sunshine Club meeting dates are: 11/27 Planning for the Festival of Traditions

12/4 Planning for the Festival of Traditions

12/11 Festival of Traditions

Maximum enrollment: Unlimited

YEARBOOK

TO BE DETERMINED

Mrs. Szych, Ms. Stratton

Room 303

Attention Eighth Graders! Would you like to help create the 2012-2013 Yearbook? If you would like to be part of the "Yearbook Team", sign-up before the deadline. Please listen for announcements about

meeting times.

Maximum enrollment: Unlimited for Eighth Graders

BETWEEN THE PAGES LIBRARY CLUB

WEDNESDAYS Library Media Center

Mrs. Tinnel

Get the inside scoop on what goes on in your school library. Learn about behind-the-scenes activities such as creating artistic displays; try your hand at daily library jobs such as shelving books; and help out with other special projects. Plus, we will talk about books you love and learn about some new one you can check out! If you like books and want to do fun activities while learning some skills needed to work in libraries, join our club!

Maximum enrollment: 8 students

NEWSPAPER CLUB WEDNESDAYS

Mrs. Hodgson and Emma John, E O Smith Senior

Room 116

Students in this club have the opportunity to write and share articles that we will publish in the MMS student newspaper.

Maximum enrollment: 15 students

CHESS CLUB THURSDAYS



Ms. Bain

Room 205

Learn the basics of chess or improve your skills and strategies for tournament play. You can work with UConn tutors to improve your game. And a class team is a possibility.

Maximum enrollment: 28 students

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SCIENCE QUIZ BOWL

THURSDAYS

Mr. Perkins and Mrs. Perkins

Room 202

If you love science and like showing what you know, this is the activity for you. We will be preparing for the Regional Science Bowl competition in March!

Maximum enrollment: Unlimited

FLAG FOOTBALL IN THE SNOW

SEE DATES BELOW

Room 111, then outside

Mr. Vanderrest Students will play flag football outside in all weather conditions; rain, snow, and cold. Students should dress appropriately for all weather conditions. Hats, gloves, jackets, and sweatshirts are all recommended. Students should change for this activity or bring a change of clothes to go home in.

Our dates are: December 18 and 20.

January 3, 8, 10, 15, 17, 22, and 24.

Maximum enrollment: 15 students

AND NOW FOR AN EXCITING ACTIVITY THAT EVERY STUDENT CAN JOIN!

STUDENT COUNCIL

WEDNESDAYS, BY ANNOUNCEMENT

Ms. Poller, Ms. Brouse, Mr. Perkins

Room 112

This is an official invitation for you to attend any or all Student Council meetings. This is YOUR organization and YOUR way to make a difference in our school, local and global communities. Come with your ideas, energy and skills and help make "MMS Cares" a reality. Snacks are provided. Bring your friends, too! Meetings are held EVERY Wednesday at noon in room 112, The Interest Center. We also have after school meetings on non-staff meeting Wednesdays. "Drop in" for meeting when you can, just let your parents know.

Since this activity does not meet every week, you may participate in Student Council and up to two additional activities.